
**THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
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Minutes of the Meeting of February 8, 2019

The Visitors of James Madison University met on Friday, February 8, 2019 in the Festival Conference and Student Center Board Room on the campus of James Madison University. Mrs. Maribeth Herod, Rector, called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm.

PRESENT:

Battle, Mike
Evans-Grevious, Vanessa
Gray-Keeling, Matthew
Herod, Maribeth, Rector
Hutchinson, Lucy
Johnson, Deborah

Major, Lara, Vice Rector
Ragon, Maggie
Rothenberger, John
Thomas, Mike
Warden, Kathy
Welburn, Craig

Edemba, Desiree, Student Representative to the Board
Harper, Donna, Secretary

ABSENT:

Gadams, Frank
Grass, Jeff
Jankowski, Maria

ALSO PRESENT:

Alger, Jonathan, President
Coltman, Heather, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs
King, Charles, Senior Vice President for Administration and Finance
Langridge, Nick, Vice President for University Advancement
Miller, Tim, Vice President for Student Affairs and University Planning
Wyatt, Bill, Senior Director of Communications & University Spokesperson
Piper, Mark, Speaker, Faculty Senate
Wheeler, Susan University Counsel

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Mrs. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Battle, the minutes of the November 9, 2018 meeting were approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Academics and Student Life Committee

Mrs. Lara Major, Chair, presented the report of the Academics and Student Life Committee. The minutes from the November 9, 2018 meeting were approved. (Attachment A)

Mrs. Major reported on the following topics from the committee meeting:

- 1) Heard updates from Dr. Heather Coltman, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dr. Tim Miller, Vice President for Student Affairs;
- 2) On motion of Mrs. Major, seconded by Mr. Thomas, approved the naming of the new residence hall for Paul Jennings;
- 3) Dr. David Onestak, Director of the JMU Counseling Center, provided information on the issues presented at the center and the services provided to our students;
- 4) Representatives from the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program shared their mission of providing free tax preparation services to lower income residents;
- 5) Representatives from the Center for Inclusive Music Engagement, shared a presentation highlighting work with Gemeinschaft Home and JMUke ; and
- 6) Reports from the Student Government Association, Faculty Senate, and the student representative to the Board.

On motion of Mrs. Major, seconded by Mrs. Johnson, the Academics and Student Life report was accepted.

Advancement Committee

Mr. John Rothenberger, presented the report of the Advancement Committee. The minutes of the November 9, 2018 meeting were approved. (Attachment B)

Mr. Rothenberger reported on the following topics from the committee meeting:

- 1) Mr. Justin Jannuzzi, Senior Associate Athletic Director for Development, and Mr. Jeff Gilligan, Associate Vice President for Development, shared information on the athletic, annual giving and major gift fund-raising efforts to date;
- 2) Mr. John Meck, Director for Corporate Relations, reported on the Madison Trust program;
- 3) Mr. Weston Hatfield, Associate Vice President for Principal Relationship Development, facilitated the committee members participation in a mock round table to re-engage fictitious alumni;
- 4) Ms. Sheila Smith, Associate Vice President for Campaign Management, provided an update on the campaign events.

On motion of Mr. Rothenberger, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, the Advancement report was accepted.

Athletics Committee

Mr. Craig Welburn, Chair, presented the report of the Athletics Committee. The minutes of the November 9, 2018 meeting were approved. (Attachment C)

Mr. Welburn reported on the following topics from the committee meeting:

- 1) Coach Curt Cignetti, Head Football coach was introduced to the committee; Paul Zazenski, Head Coach for Men's Soccer was recognized as CAA Coach of the year; Head Women's Soccer Coach, Joshua Walters was announced as the CAA Coach of the year;
- 2) Mr. Jeff Bourne, Director of Athletics, provided a sports update;
- 3) Ms. Alicia Cooperman, CAA National Student-Athlete Advisory Committee representative, explained her role and the purpose of the SAAC;
- 4) Mrs. Meredith Crawford, Assistant Athletic Director provided an update on the JMU Dukes LEAD program;

- 5) Mr. Mark Angel, Assistant Vice President for Finance, provided a summary of the findings from the recent APA audit on the athletic program;
- 6) Mr. Bourne provided a summary of the judicial violations, sanctions and disciplinary actions incurred by student-athletes for 2017-18;
- 7) Mr. Tom Kuster, Associate Athletic Director for Integrated Health and Sports Performance, introduced Ms. Lauren Hartman, Sports Dietician who offered an overview of the sports nutrition program; and
- 8) Mr. Justin Jannuzzi, Senior Associate Athletics Director for Development, provided a fundraising update.

On motion of Mr. Welburn, seconded by Mrs. Major, the Athletics report was accepted.

Audit Committee

Mrs. Deborah Johnson, substituting for the Chair, presented the report of the Audit Committee. The minutes of the September 14, 2018 meeting were approved. (Attachment D)

Mrs. Johnson presented on the following topics from the committee meeting:

- 1) Ms. Susan Wheeler, University Legal Counsel, and Mrs. Becky Holmes, Director of Audit and Management Services, gave an update from the University Compliance Committee.

On motion of Mrs. Johnson, seconded by Mrs. Ragon, the Audit report was accepted.

Executive Committee

Mrs. Maribeth Herod, Chair, reported the committee met on December 15, 2018 and approved the conveyance of three parcels of real property (or portions thereof) located at 1031 Harrison Street to the James Madison University Foundation and authorized and directed the Senior Vice President for Administration and Finance to prepare and execute documents as required to complete the transaction.

On motion of Mrs. Major, seconded by Mr. Welburn, the Executive Committee report was accepted. (Attachment E)

Finance and Physical Development Committee

Mr. Mike Thomas, Chair, presented the report of the Finance and Physical Development Committee. The minutes from the November 9, 2018 meeting were approved. (Attachment F)

Mr. Thomas reported on the following topics from the committee meeting:

- 1) Mr. Mark Angel, Assistant Vice President for Finance, reviewed the quarterly financial review;
- 2) On motion of Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Battle, approved the following easements:
 - a. City of Harrisonburg for three variable-width temporary construction easements along the intersections of East Fairview and West Fairview Avenue and South Main Street in support of widening South Main Street at the intersection of Port Republic Road.
 - b. City of Harrisonburg for a variable-width right-of-way dedication of 1,265 square feet along the west side of South Main Street in support of widening South Main Street at the intersection of Port Republic Road.

- c. City of Harrisonburg for a 20-foot public water easement of 3,593 square feet along the north side of Port Republic Road in support of the relocation of a hydrant at Lakeview Hall.
 - d. City of Harrisonburg for a variable-width public water and sewer easement of 39,626 square feet along the east side of I-81 through the remote parking lots R10 and R11 located to the south of Port Republic Road in support of the relocation of the I-81 off ramp.
 - e. City of Harrisonburg for a variable-width temporary construction easement of 70,766 square feet along the east side of I-81 through the remote parking lots R10 and R11 located to the south of Port Republic Road in support of the relocation of the I-81 off ramp.
 - f. Commonwealth of Virginia for a variable-width right-of-way dedication of 21,714 square feet along the east side of I-81 through the remote parking lots of R10 and R11 located to the south of Port Republic Road in support of the relocation of the I-81 off-ramp.
- 3) On motion of Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mrs. Major, approved no increase for the 2019 summer tuition & fees;
 - 4) Mr. Charlie King, Senior Vice President for Administration and Finance, briefed the committee on the governor's budget recommendations and the two budget amendments to the General Assembly:
 - a. Carrier Library planning and a property exchange/purchase;
 - 5) Ms. Katie Weaver, Director of Procurement Services, gave a report on the University's Small, Women, and Minority Procurement Plan (SWaM);
 - 6) Ms. Towana Moore, Associate Vice President for Business Services, gave a report on the University's capital facilities program;
 - 7) Mr. King gave an update on the Level III request; and
 - 8) Mr. King shared the University's plan to offer a public comment period this spring concerning tuition and fees.

On motion of Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mrs. Warden, the Finance and Physical Development report was accepted.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Alger presented information on the following: (Attachment G)

- 1) Graduated 778 undergraduates and 158 graduate students during the December commencement;
- 2) Received a gift of private stock for the College of Business Learning Complex from 1979 alumnus Steve Smith;
- 3) Has held regional events for the Unleashed: Campaign for James Madison University in Richmond and Atlanta and will hold events next week in Washington, D.C., Baltimore and Northern Virginia;
- 4) Hired Dr. Michael Busing as dean of the College of Business and Dr. Bethany Nowviskie as dean of Libraries;
- 5) Dr. Rebecca Brannon appeared on TLC's *Who Do You Think You Are?*;
- 6) President Alger has been appointed to the Virginia Complete Count Commission;

- 7) Justice John Charles Thomas, former Virginia Supreme Court justice, was the most recent Madison Vision Series speaker;
- 8) Barbara Schaal, dean of the faculty of Arts and Sciences at Washington University in St. Louis, will be the next Madison Vision Series speaker on April 1; and
- 9) Announced Curtis Cignetti as the new head football coach.

STRATEGIC RESPONSE TO NEEDS OF THE COMMONWEALTH (Attachment H)

Dr. Heather Coltman, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, Dr. Cynthia Bauerle, Dean for the College of Science and Math, Dr. Mike Busing, Dean for the College of Business, and Dr. Bob Kolvoord, Dean for the College of Integrated Science and Engineering presented on the university's current and future opportunities to prepare students for the future workforce needs.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY UPDATE

Mr. Charles King, Senior Vice President for Administration and Finance presented an update on the General Assembly including the two amendments submitted by the university. (Attachment I)

Rector Herod called for the board to move into Closed Session. Mrs. Major made the following motion:

"I move the Board go into closed session to discuss the following matters: 1) pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711 A-1, to discuss personnel matters involving promotions, retirements, hiring, resignations, salary adjustments, and status changes of various faculty members, administrators and appointees, as well as the award of tenure to faculty members; and 2) pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 A-7 of the Code of Virginia to consult with legal counsel and be briefed by staff members/consultants pertaining to litigation."

The motion was seconded by Mr. Thomas and the Board moved into closed session.

Following the closed session, Mrs. Herod then stated the following:

During the closed session, the board discussed only matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements and only those types of matters identified in the motion for the closed session.

RECORDED VOTE: the following is an affirmative recorded, member by member vote:

Battle, Mike
Evans-Grevious, Vanessa
Gray-Keeling, Matthew
Herod, Maribeth, Rector
Hutchinson, Lucy
Johnson, Deborah

Major, Lara, Vice Rector
Ragon, Maggie
Rothenberger, John
Thomas, Mike
Warden, Kathy
Welburn, Craig

Mrs. Herod then asked if there were any motions to come forward.

On motion of Mrs. Evans-Grevious, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, approved the personnel action report.

The Rector announced the Nominating Committee of:

Deborah Johnson, Chair

Vanessa Evans-Grevious

Matthew Gray-Keeling

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of Mrs. Major, seconded by Mr. Rothenberger, the Board voted to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 3:11 pm.

Maribeth Herod, Rector

Donna L. Harper, Secretary